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SUBJECT: EGYPT CONSIDERING USG NOMINATION OF RUTH WEDGWOOD'S RE-ELECTION TO UN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

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(U) Post shared reftel demarche June 7 with MFA Multilateral Affairs Office Director Mohamed Negm, requesting Egypt's firm support for the re-election of Professor Ruth Wedgwood to the United Nations Human Rights Committee. Sharing Professor Wedgwood's C.V. and biographic date contained in reftel, post stressed the U.S. candidate's experience and familiarity with UN institutions as among the many reasons for Egypt to vote affirmatively in the September 7 elections. Negm was non-committal, but promised to process the request and seek a GOE decision on the request. We will follow up with Negm and Post will continue to raise Professor Wedgwood's candidacy with appropriate Egyptian interlocutors between now and September.
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